

Appl. No. 10/800,904  
Amendment dated January 7, 2005  
Response to Office Action of December 13, 2004

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph appearing on page 4, lines 2-5 as follows:

"The improved composition broadly consists ~~essentially~~ of the following parts by weight for use in 14-karat white gold: about 58.34% gold, about 35-40% silver, about 0.5-1.80% tin, and about 0-0.75% germanium. The percentages of silver, tin and germanium may vary."

Please amend the paragraph appearing on page 5, lines 10-16 as follows:

"The invention broadly provides improved 14-karat white gold alloy compositions, which consist ~~essentially~~ of the following parts by weight: about 58.34% gold, about 35-40% silver, about 0.5-1.80% tin, and about 0-0.75% germanium. In the foregoing composition, the combination of tin and/or germanium is used to bleach the normally greenish tint caused by the main elements of gold, silver and zinc. Silver is used to control workability in the alloy. Gold must, of course, be present in the necessary percentage to qualify as legal 14 karat gold."

Please amend the Abstract appearing on page 8, lines 3-5 as follows:

"A nickel- and palladium-free 14-karat white gold alloy composition consists ~~essentially~~ of the following parts by weight: about 58.34% gold, about 35-40% silver, about 0.5-1.80% tin, and about 0-0.75% germanium."